IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-3.   (Cancelled).

4.   (Currently Amended)   ~~The security system of claim 1~~A security system comprising:

    a verifier for determining an authorization to process protected material, based on one or more responses to one or more

5 requests; and

    a timer for measuring response times associated with the one or more responses to the one or more requests,

    wherein

    the verifier determines the authorization based at least

10 in part on an assessment of the response times, and wherein

    the response times are correlated to a physical proximity between a first source of the one or more requests and a second source of the one or more responses.

5.   (Currently Amended)   ~~The security system of claim 1~~A security system comprising:

    a verifier for determining an authorization to process protected material, based on one or more responses to one or more

5 requests, and

PHUS010314-AMT-072505   2

a timer for measuring response times associated with the

one or more responses to the one or more requests,

wherein

the verifier determines the authorization based at least

10   in part on an assessment of the response times, and wherein

the assessment of the response times forms an assessment

of whether the one or more responses were communicated via a

network connection.

6.   (Currently Amended)   ~~The security system of claim 1~~ A

security system comprising:

a verifier for determining an authorization to process

protected material, based on one or more responses to one or more

5   requests, and

a timer for measuring response times associated with the

one or more responses to the one or more requests,

wherein

the verifier determines the authorization based at least

10   in part on an assessment of the response times, and wherein

the assessment of the response times forms an assessment

of whether the one or more responses were immediately available ~~a~~

~~priori~~, or whether the one or more responses were a result of a

~~time consuming~~ determination.

PHUS010314-AMT-072505   3

7.   (Currently Amended)   A processing system comprising:

a renderer ~~that is configured to receive~~for receiving a

plurality of data items corresponding to a data set, and ~~to~~

~~produce~~for producing therefrom a rendering corresponding to a

5   select data item~~,~~;

a verifier, operably coupled to the renderer, ~~that is~~

~~configured to preclude~~for precluding the rendering corresponding to

the select data item in dependence upon whether other data items of

the plurality of data items are available to the renderer~~,~~; and

10   a timer, operably coupled to the verifier and the

renderer, ~~that is configured to measure~~for measuring response times

associated with responses to requests for the other data items from

the renderer~~,~~,

wherein

15   the verifier ~~is configured to preclude~~precludes the

rendering based at least in part on an assessment of the response

times.

8.   (Currently Amended)   The processing system ~~of~~as claimed in

claim 7, wherein

the assessment of the response times corresponds to a

determination of whether the other data items are located in

5   physical proximity to the renderer.

PHUS010314-AMT-072505   4

9.   (Currently Amended)   The processing system ~~of~~ as claimed in

claim 7, wherein

    the verifier is configured to form the assessment based on

at least one of:

5   an average of the response times,

         a comparison of the response times to one or more

threshold times, and

         a statistical test based on the response times.

10.   (Currently Amended)   The processing system ~~of~~ as claimed in

claim 7, wherein

    the verifier is configured to randomly select the other

data items.

11-13.   Cancelled).